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1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER TO NIKANOROV WITH
COPY TO KAZAKOV.

2. JUNE 9, 1978 02.02-12

DR. A. M. NIKANOROV
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DEAR DR. NIKANOROV:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RECENT LETTER REGARDING DATES FOR OUR
UPCOMING ACTIVITIES.

I AM HAPPY TO LEARN THAT YOU WILL BE ATTENDING THE WORKING GROUP MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 17-24, 1978, IN WASHINGTON, DC, AND WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN SOME OF THE SCIENTIFIC WORK. THE WORKING GROUP MEETING WILL GIVE US A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO GET ACQUAINTED AND TO DISCUSS FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR THE PROJECT.

THE DATES WHICH YOU PROPOSE FOR THE VISIT OF THE US SPECIALISTS TO THE USSR (AUGUST 20-SEPTEMBER 10, 1978) ARE ACCEPTABLE TO US. THE US DELEGATION WILL CONSIST OF MR. MICHAEL BELLANCA, STATE OF VIRGINIA WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD; DR. VICTOR LAMBOU, EPA LAS VEGAS ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND SUPPORT LABORATORY; AND DR. MICHAEL SYDOR, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA. ALL THREE ARE NOTABLE US MONITORING SPECIALISTS. IN ADDITION, MR. BELLANCA HAS CONSIDERABLE EXPERTISE IN STATE-RELATED WATER QUALITY AND MONITORING PROBLEMS AND WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU INSIGHT INTO THE STATE VS FEDERAL APPROACH TO WATER QUALITY NEEDS. DR. LAMBOU HAS BEEN RECENTLY CONCERNED WITH A MONITORING SYSTEM FOR THE ATCHAFALAYA (LOUISIANA) BASIN. DR. SYDOR, AS YOU KNOW, WORKS PRIMARILY WITH GREAT LAKES MONITORING SYSTEMS AND IS QUITE INTERESTED IN YOUR WORK ON BAIKAL.

WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE SOVIET MONITORING SPECIALISTS TO THE US FOR A THREE WEEK PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 17-OCTOBER UNCLASSIFIED

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8, 1978. THIS WILL OVERLAP WITH THE WORKING GROUP MEETING AND WILL AFFORD YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE SPECIALISTS FOR PART OF THE PROGRAM. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT FORMULATED THE SCHEDULE YET, IT WILL INCLUDE VISITS TO SOLELY MONITORING-RELATED SITES AND LABORATORIES AS ORIGINALLY STATED IN OUR WORK PLAN. PLEASE ADVISE US IF THESE DATES ARE ACCEPTABLE AND INFORM US OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU.

SINCERELY,

TUDOR T. DAVIES
US PROJECT LEADER
02.02-12 VANCE

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